GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO COLLEGES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether majority of the colleges in the country are unfit for UGC grants and even fail to meet minimum education standards;

(b) if so, the facts and details thereof;

(c) whether the criteria for providing funds to colleges are not properly adhered to;and

(d) if so, the facts thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (d): 20,676 colleges in the country come under the purview of the University Grants Commission (UGC) for purposes of financial assistance under Section 12 B of the UGC Act, 1956. Of these, 5661 colleges have been included in the list under Section 12 B of the said Act. A Statement showing the number of colleges (State-wise) included under Section 1 2 B a s on 31.3.2007 i s placed at Annexure. Only such colleges as are permanently affiliated to the university concerned are eligible to be included under Section 12 B of the UGC Act, whereas a large number of colleges are not granted such affiliation by universities, rendering them ineligible for being included therein.